

Docket No.: 81862P160

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

File the Application of:

JOHN ELLIS, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/499,871

Filed: February 7, 2000

For: **RE-ROUTING CONNECTIONS USING  
REDUNDANT PATH CONNECTIONS AND  
LOOPBACKS**

Art Group: 2663

Examiner: Min Jun

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant for the above-identified application respectfully Petitions the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to February 05, 2008, from the filing of the Notice of Appeal dated November 05, 2007. The petition filing fee of \$120.00 and an Appeal Brief are attached. (If a check is not attached, you are hereby authorized to charge deposit account no. 02-2666.)

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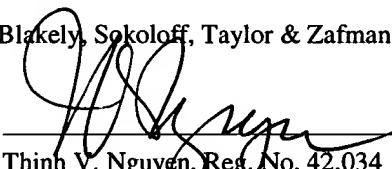
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